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## EFFORT TO HALT INFLATION

### Shanghai Economic Police Raid Blackmarketeers, Hoarders

### 'FRIGHTENING' DEPRECIATION

This inflation-ridden city's 48-hour wild buying abated today as the economic police carried out widespread raids on suspected foreign currency blackmarketeers and commodity hoarders in a belated effort to check the runaway prices.

Mayor K. C. Wu said it was "frightening" the way the inflated Chinese currency lost 50 per cent of its purchasing power in two days. The Mayor met with top military police and bank officials, and announced emergency measures to weed out speculators who, he said, will get no mercy.

The measures gave the commodity guilds three days to report the names of all purchasers since June 15. They demanded exhaustive data on Shanghai's existing stocks and on all transactions in goods and securities.

For the first time in four days, featured by the most spectacular spiraling of prices Shanghai has yet known, shopkeepers remained unchanged until closing time.

During that period, retailers in many instances performed mathematical wonders in trying to catch up with the economic nimbleness of the American dollar which now a few hundred thousand dollars every few hours.

Sunday leisure shoppers were today assessing the full impact of the chaotic situation. A pair of Chinese-made shoes, which 10 days ago cost only about \$7 million, are now priced at \$50 million; a packet of cigarettes—now Lucky Strike—now cost \$800,000, while British cigarettes preferred among the Chinese well-to-do—say Craven A or State Express—cost well over a million dollars.

### 200 Per Cent Up

Against the compelling background of the average weekly salary of \$70 million (for May) the dizzy proportion of the inflation is now almost too easily apparent.

Many shops are continuing their policy of restricting sales since replacement is said to be cutting up profits.

On the whole, the prices demanded today in many firms were more than 200 per cent above those quoted a fortnight ago.

In the meantime, transactions in the foodstuffs markets, including rice, flour, cereal and edible oil, has been suspended by order of the Municipal authorities pending further instructions.

Local bankers today estimated conservatively that the purchasing power of the Chinese currency has been whittled down by 50 to 60 per cent as a result of the unprecedented price spurs of the past two days.

### Smuggling

### Profitable

In Nanking, the Control Yuan threw out a resolution for the despatch of a six-men commission to investigate the economic situation in Shanghai and, instead, asked the Executive Yuan to give an immediate reply to its earlier questionnaire inquirers of the steps the Government intended to take to control the price situation.

Legitimate exporters complained that less scrupulous competitors were taking advantage of the ballooning black market exchange quotations on the U.S. dollar to smuggle goods out of the country.

As the difference between legal and illegal rates is wider than ever, even costly round-about smuggling became profitable, they said.

However, the "black" interest rates dropped from 35 per cent

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### Plea For Foreign Interests

Nanking, June 27. A well-known Shanghai lawyer, Kiang Yi-ping, today made a strong plea before the Legislative Yuan Committee for the exemption of foreign owned property from the proposed property tax.

Kiang, who is among opponents of legislator Liu Pu-tung's property tax bill, charged that the proposed collection of property tax is one of the main causes of the current price fluctuation because many rich men are diverting their investments to gold and foreign currency.

The Legislative Yuan Committee is expected to complete examination of Liu Pu-tung's "sink the rich" bill today. The bill probably will be presented to the Legislative Yuan to take up for the second reading on Tuesday.

Kiang told the committee that taxing foreign property is a violation of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's principles of encouraging foreign investment in China's reconstruction.

He said, for instance, the American-owned Standard Oil Company will follow either of two courses when called upon to pay property tax.

It will either refuse to pay and request Washington to take up the matter diplomatically with the Chinese Government, or pay the tax and cease supplying gasoline to Chinese markets because the tax would be crippling to the company.—United Press.

(3) The City Government, the business Department of the Central Bank, the Pollen Bureau and the Central Trust will jointly investigate the bills and notes clearing house to see if there have been any speculative activities.

(4) Fifty thousand bales of cotton will be distributed to various cotton mills to ease the present shortage.

Mayor Wu reported that the Municipal authorities had begun from yesterday to dump 6,000 piculs of rice into the market daily to meet the needs of local residents and each person possessing a ration coupon will be entitled to purchase one shun (1/100th of a picul) at the special price of CN\$100,000.—Reuters.

### Chiang In Chengchow

Shanghai, June 27. President Chiang Kai-shek arrived in Chengchow yesterday by air and continued directing Nationalist mopping-up operations centering on Kaifeng, provincial capital of Honan, 40 miles west.

The Generalissimo arrived in Chengchow after concluding his northwest military conference. He is believed to have sparked the counter-offensive on Kaifeng which he almost lost.

According to pro-Government reports, the main Nationalist forces entered Kaifeng at 4 p.m. yesterday and helped the vanguard to clean up Communist remnants. Three hundred Reds were claimed to have been captured.

The Communists were reportedly still fighting rearguard action outside Kaifeng to cover the flight of supplies-laden trucks and carts. The Nationalist Air Force is bombing and strafing the vehicles.

A Peking, Chinese dispatch, quoting a Chinese Communist prisoner, said the Red offensive is imminent for Catholic members of Parliament who voted for nationalization of Hungary's schools.

The official Catholic Press Agency Magyar Courier published a statement by Hungarian Catholic Bishop quoting a passage of the Canon Law saying the Church can excommunicate those who have "passed a law against the liberty of the Church" or "thwarted the Church in exercising its rights, including the right of maintaining schools."

### Chastisement For Catholic MPs

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### PICTURE OF THE DAY

#### Survivors



THE DANISH passenger vessel "Kjøbenhavn" struck a mine at Kattegat while most of her 400 passengers were sleeping and sank within ten minutes, while on her way from Copenhagen to Aalborg on June 11. In the picture a mother and her child who survived leaves the rescue ship as another survivor weeps on the gangplank rail.—AP Photo.

### Passports For Colony?

Shanghai, June 27. The China Press reported today that informed sources believe that China may try to curb funds flight to Hong Kong by requiring passports for Chinese travelling to the British Colony.

The paper said such a measure—which Mayor K.C. Wu recently raised as a possibility—would be designed to curb Shanghai's price increases.—United Press.

### Chinese Company Robbed

Five men walked into the premises of the Tin Pui import and export company at 80 Connaught Road Central yesterday morning and held up the occupants at pistol point.

While three of the robbers menaced the owners and staff with revolvers, the others ran naked drivers and cash boxes, escaping with HK\$3,000 and several hundred United States dollars in cash.

Under Inspector Cashman, the police last night were in pursuit of the criminals.

### Malaya Terrorists Killed

Singapore, June 27. British police and Gurkhas today killed two terrorists and arrested two others when they surprised a gang of terrorists inside a house at Bamfu, 16 miles east of Johore Bahru.

A fifth terrorist escaped into the jungle, leaving a trail of blood behind him. Police and

military had been searching the area as part of the general drive in Malaya against the wave of murders officially ascribed to left-wing extremists.

The gangsters, taken by surprise, slammed the door and opened fire.

Terrorists killed nine people in 24 hours yesterday—one of the bloodiest days yet in the wave of violence sweeping the Federation.

Finnish Police chief, Mr. W.C. Haines, received a letter threatening him with death and calling for a trial of strength with the police and military.—Reuters.

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# PALESTINE WORRY ABOUT FUTURE

Jerusalem, June 21.  
With half Palestine's four weeks truce over, Jerusalem's mood was today rather pessimistic. The most important question was "will the fight re-open on July 9?"

This consideration overshadowed all worries about food, water and electricity, since the resumption of fighting here would end the slight relaxation from the emergency conditions at present noticeable in Jerusalem.

Lorry-loads of food and ton fuel are reaching Jerusalem during the past few days fuel under the supervision of the United Nations officials. Although the food situation is still far from normal, the people are now eating fresh vegetables, fruit and poultry for the first time for more than two months. These are being distributed in the

Fuel has been delivered for the power station but there are no signs that private dwellings will receive electricity even for only an hour or two every few days.

The tension in Jerusalem continued greatly with the comparative calm among the people of Tel Aviv, whose pre-occupa-

### Luzon Piracy

Manila, June 26.

Two fast-sailing vintas (native craft) bent on piracy swooped into one of the small islands that dot the Sulu Sea last week, according to a Confidential report, quoted in the Manila Bulletin.

Twenty more pirates, said the report, raked a house in Bay Datu with small arms fire, killed two of the occupants and wounded three others.

The raiders then ransacked the house and escaped with their booty.—Reuter.

### Berlin Situation "Explosive"

Washington, June 26.  
Authoritative sources disclosed today that the American attitude toward the Soviet efforts to isolate Berlin is under top level review. The authorities said the situation is "explosive and grave" but they doubted that the Russians are prepared to use force.

Informants could not say whether this important policy review would result in any new measures to strengthen the position of American military forces in Berlin.

But it was learned that Government departments are in almost constant communications with General Lucius D. Clay, American military commander in Germany, and American officials in London and Paris.

Secretary of State George Marshall is being kept informed of the Berlin crisis at Walter Reed Hospital where he has been undergoing a weeklong routine physical examination.

There are no plans at present to protest against the Soviet activities in Berlin directly to Moscow through diplomatic channels.

Officials said that the present situation in Berlin, if further aggravated by the Russians, could become "grave."

The Soviet actions were felt to be aimed at making the position of the Western Powers "more untenable and difficult" in Berlin. It was recalled that the Russians undertook similar measures several months ago but gave up.

One reliable informant said the situation undoubtedly would become "explosive" if the Russians try to force the Western Powers out in clear violation of the existing Four Power agreements.—United Press.

Interest coupons due on July 15, 1948, in respect of the Hong Kong Dollar Loan (1934 and 1940 Loan issues) and 3½ per cent Rehabilitation Dollar Loan 1973/1978 will be paid at the Head Office of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation or at the office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China on July 15.

In the early hours of yesterday morning, a Chinese woman, Lam Man-ching, aged 25, fell into the harbour near Canal Road at its junction with Gloucester Road. She was rescued and sent to hospital.

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Shanghai, June 27.

General Li Tsung-jen, the Vice-President, arrived in Peiping yesterday afternoon on his first visit to North China since his election at the end of March.

He told reporters that he intended to study the North China military and administrative situation at first hand preparatory to making recommendations to President Chiang Kai-shek for a general improvement.—Reuter.

### Vice-President In Peiping

### Complaints On ILO Delegates

San Francisco, June 26.

Complaints were lodged to-day with the Credentials Committee of the International Labour Organisation against the seating of labour delegations from India, Cuba, Argentina, France, Greece, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay.

Most of the protests were based on the ground that the delegates were not representatives of their countries and not legally elected to serve as ILO delegates.

The heaviest protests came against Leon Jouhaux, President of the French anti-Communist Force Ouvrière.

Four separate complaints were lodged by Giuseppe Vittorio, General Secretary of the Communist-led Italian Confederation of Labour; Wacław Zulowski, Polish workers' delegate of the Frantisek Vavrik workers, a delegate from Czechoslovakia and by the French Communist-led CGT.—United Press.

### LIGHT ORCHESTRA ENTERTAINS KCC

The large number of members and friends of the Kowloon Cricket Club who attended the Hong Kong Light Orchestra's third public appearance on Saturday night gave Conductor Bill Apps and his instrumentalists such a hearty reception as to leave no doubt of this Orchestra's fast growing popularity.

The well-balanced programme of 14 selections was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience who showed their appreciation in no uncertain manner.

Doubtless carried away by their own enthusiasm the "winds" were slightly too strong in the finale, "Show Boat" (Jerome Kern), drowning at times, the other instruments.

M. H. Fan, the chef d'orchestre, was very good, while H. V. Ardy (Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Conductor and player) handled his castanets and bells like a professional. Incidentally, Ardy with another instrumentalist nearly brought the house down with their impersonation of Persian merchants in the Interlude, "In Persian Market" (A. W. Ketelbey).

Jean Turville was, while not superb, really splendid. She had got over her fear of audiences, as there was not the slightest sign of nervousness when this maestro first stepped on to the stage. Her voice carried very

well, and her singing contained that degree of lights and shades of expression which stamps her as a cantatrice of high ability.

### Indifferent Piano

It was a pity that Madame O. Pokrovsky should be called upon to perform on an indifferent piano for she was unable to do justice to herself, or to Jean Turville in the accompaniments.

It would be superfluous to say that Bill Apps acquitted himself with full credit for this former member of the Green Howards Regt. band, and bandmaster of the Hong Kong Police Reserve, is too accomplished a conductor to be anything else but good.

As Mr. Ezra Abraham, Chairman of the K.C.C. said after the performance, the Orchestra gave the Club members a great treat and it is to be hoped that the public will have more opportunities of listening to the Colony's pioneers of light music.

Perhaps, WBW could persuade these artistes to go on the air in the very near future.

### Russia Buying Up Rubber

London, June 26.  
Large-scale Russian purchases of rubber have given rise to speculation that the Soviet is building up strategic reserves of potential war material. The purchases have been stepped up in the past few weeks.

Up to now Russia has acquired 80,000 tons of rubber—nearly three times the amount in 1947, it was learned.

The Manchester Guardian, referring to the "uneasy" comment on the heavy Russian purchase in City quarters, said that the club in Berlin stirred memories of the intense German purchases of raw materials in London in the final months before the outbreak of war.

It was suggested, however, that the purchases may also be due to the change of view in Moscow over the trend of world prices.

The pressure of Russian buyers in commodity markets is already blamed for some rises in prices. The recent Soviet contracts for rubber have been placed for shipment up to October of this year, with most cargoes being shipped from Malaya, while the actual buying took place mainly in London, the Guardian said.—United Press.

### PATERSON CLEAR 6'4"

Glasgow, June 26.

Alan Paterson, British Olympic hero, cleared six feet four inches in the high jump at the Glasgow Police Sports meeting today. He failed three times to reach six feet six inches.

Alistair McCordale, a London runner, again beat E. MacDonald Bailey, the West Indian ace, in a special 120 yards race.

McCordale, in scoring his third successive win against Bailey, won by half a yard in 11.7 seconds.

Bailey, in winning an earlier heat, was clocked in 11.5.—Associated Press.

A Chinese man fell from the second floor verandah of a house in Jaffe Road at 4:30 a.m. He was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

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### "President Dewey" Would Help China

Washington, June 26.

Representative Walter Judd, leading Republican advocate of full aid to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, told the United Press today that he is "confident" that if Governor Thomas Dewey is elected, the United States will have a "sound and consistent" aid programme for the Nationalists.

Judd is from Minnesota and Burke Harrel E. Stassen at the Republican Convention but conceded that Dewey had the "most forthright views" on China.

Judd strongly favours a military aid programme which will put United States officers directly in the field with Chinese armies similar to the United States' practice in Greece.

He said he thinks this will "certainly be the policy after Jan. 20 when I believe the Republicans will be in power."

Judd pointed out that John Foster Dulles, foreign affairs adviser, who is generally believed to be Dewey's choice for Secretary of State, is in close touch with the Far East.

He recalled that Dulles' grandfather, John Foster, was Secretary of State in 1892 when the first foundations of the Open Door were laid.

**Military Aid**

Judd expressed the opinion that Dulles will be the best authority on the Far East since John Hay. He said Dewey outlined the general anti-Communist views on China in a speech on Nov. 25 at Columbia University—and Dewey has not changed.

Judd said that Dewey favours China economic aid of at least \$250,000,000 annually for three years plus military aid. He said that Dewey favours the transfer of surplus combat material to Pacific islands to China as well as to stabilize the currency.

Judd emphasized that the Chinese must get technical help in addition to supplies and said, "Training is just as important as supplies."

He castigated Secretary of State George Marshall for the

name of the Singapore Consul General, Paul Josslyn, 63-year-old Far East career man, was mentioned as a possibility if a foreign service man is picked. Josslyn served throughout China before World War II and returned as Consul General in Shanghai in 1945 before going to Singapore. He is regarded highly by Marshall's policy of "drift and indecision."

Although the State Department still insisted that it has no word yet that Stuart's resignation had been accepted, diplomatic circles speculated that the difficulty of obtaining a well known public figure for successor may force the naming of a career man on an "interim" basis.

Judd's proposal that Bullitt

be sent was not regarded seriously in view of Bullitt's criticism of the Marshall policy before the Congress and in a Luck publication.

**Singapore C.G.P.**

Judd himself said that while Wedemeyer did the "best job" of any United States representative to the Army would take him off his present job which is making top secret Army plans.

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**Speeding Up Jap Post Offices**

Tokyo, June 27.

The Japanese Communications Ministry today sponsored a currency inspection and counting contest among 80 experts in Tokyo's 60 post offices in a move to speed up work of post offices because of mountains of bills which must be handled daily owing to the inflation.

It is understood that Tokyo's post-offices alone handle as much as 30,000,000 yen in bills daily in savings, deposits and withdrawals.

Thirty-year-old Yasutomo Suzuki, of Tokyo General Post Office, won the contest, handling 1,000 bills of 100 yen denomination worth 100,000 yen in four minutes and 50 seconds.

Suzuki received 600 yen, about \$2 purchasing power—2nd prize.—United Press.

**Starting From Scratch**

Frankfurt, June 26.

West Germany's banking system will start from scratch under the third and last stage of the currency reform for the British, American and French zones, it was announced here today.

The man in the street will get one new Deutsche Mark for every ten old marks in his bank account.

The reform, which operates from midnight tonight, scales down private debts, except bank debts, to one 10th. The public debt is cancelled and replaced by new 3% State bonds to reflect the banks.

Wages, including back pay, salaries and social insurance payments, will stay at their old pre-reform level.—Reuters.

**Public auction of 17 plots of Crown Land in the New Territories will be held at the District Office, New Territories, Kowloon Magistracy, Building, Ground Floor, at 1 p.m. on July 5.**

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## READER'S LETTER

### Education Film

Sir.—The latest "March of Time" which is being screened at the King's Theatre entitled "U.S. Teacher's Crisis" is a most timely production, particularly in regard to Hong Kong.

As education is one of the greatest problems in Hong Kong today and underpaid teachers are receiving but scant consideration, it is believed that the King's Theatre would be performing a public service if it would invite members of the Education Department, as well as all other parties concerned with education in this Colony, to see this very illuminating film.

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## RIP KIRBY



## RUSSIANS PLAYING A CAGEY GAME

New York, June 26.

Despite increasing pressure on the Allies in Berlin, the Warsaw conference indicates clearly that Russia not only intends to confine her actions to the political field, but also is continuing her "peace offensive."

Although they are threatening the lifelines of 2,000,000 Germans in Berlin, the Communists also apparently hope to continue their pose as friends of a unified Germany.

Even while withdrawing from the four-power food pool and turning the East-West demarcation line into a solid wall, they talk about negotiations for an all-German Government.

They want to resume four power discussions where they were when their Foreign Minister Molotov scuttled them at Moscow.

The Russians are probably the most eager, and at the same time,

## Battle Now For Europe

Vatican City, June 26. The Vatican newspaper, *Osservatore Romano*, said today that the battle for Germany has become the battle for Europe.

In a page one editorial, the semi-official daily said: "Divided in two by the Iron Curtain, leaving the two halves to join two opposing systems, the problem of German unity constitutes the most delicate point in the unity or division of Europe."

"If Germany is divided to-day, we cannot think of the possibility of a united Europe tomorrow, whatever may be the form or formula to create it."

"On the contrary, if one of the two opposing blocs would draw a united Germany into its own system this would constitute in Europe a decisive balance in its favour."

"There is no longer here an economic question but a political question, and the battle for Germany becomes the battle for Europe."—United Press.

## Shanghai, Po Rulings

Shanghai, June 27. The acceptance of ordinary mail for Palestine has been temporarily suspended, the local Post Office announced today. It also revealed that international "air mail letters" forms made in foreign countries are not considered to be useable in China even though they are prepared as such with postage stamps.

Forms of foreign origin posted with names and addresses of senders given thereon will be returned to the senders, while those bearing no such names and addresses will be treated as ordinary air mail letters and taxed.

Owing to the disturbed situation in Honan Province, only letters and postcards are accepted for all places in that province. The acceptance of other categories of mail matter therefore is temporarily suspended from today. Reuter.

## COMMUNIST RESIGNS

Rome, June 26. Signor Pietro Nenni, leader of the Italian Socialist Party's Pro-Communist section, tonight sprang a surprise by announcing his resignation from the editorship of the party's organ, *Avante*, on the eve of the opening of the Congress of the Italian Socialist Party in Genoa tomorrow.

At the Conference, the party must decide whether to continue its collaboration with the Communists.—Reuter.

## ARGENTINA WANTS DOLLARS

Buenos Aires, June 26. Argentina announced today that Britain and other European customers will be required to pay in dollars if they buy food after the termination of the present barter treaties.—Associated Press.

Sealed tenders for repairing the Motor Launch "Lilin" have been called for by the P.W.D.

## BY ALEX RAYMOND



## SOKOLOVSKY ARRESTED BY AMERICAN M.P.'S!

Manila, June 26.

The National Airports Corporation's new \$115,000 terminal at the Manila International airport (formerly Nichols Field) was inaugurated this afternoon in the presence of more than 1,000 visitors, headed by ranking Government, Army and Navy officials.

In this connection, Manila is making a strong bid to become the terminal for the different commercial airlines operating in the Far East. It is understood that Pan American World Airways are planning to make Manila their principal aerial hub in the Orient.—Reuter.

**Reparations**

The Warsaw conference suggests a four power agreement on de-militarisation of Germany. We all thought it was agreed on before. But we must admit that Russia's attitude in Eastern Europe strongly suggests remilitarisation may be more practical.

One section of the Warsaw pronouncement really means what it says. The Communists would certainly like to see reparations shipments stepped up from the small trickle to which the Allies reduced them because of Russia's failure to keep her share of the bargain regarding Germany.

So Russia tries to drive the Allies out of Berlin with one hand and keep up the pence offensive with the other. She is going to keep on suggesting negotiation no matter how many incidents she may have to create to make them seem necessary.

Miss Keller is scheduled to visit Japan in September, Korea in October, China in November, and the Philippines in late December and early January.—United Press.

**HK Rice Loan To Philippines**

New York, June 26. The John Milton Society for the Blind announced today that 1,000 blind Americans have undertaken to pay all expenses of Helen Keller's current trip to the Pacific, Asia and the Middle East.

The Society's General Secretary, Dr. Milton T. Stauffer said he is cableing the news to Miss Keller in Sydney, Australia, on Sunday, which is her 68th birthday.

The cable says: "We are thrilled over your approaching mission of hope to the 12,000,000 blind in the Orient and the Near East."

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## Berliners Asking - Will Allies Leave?

Berlin, June 26. Worried Berliners are asking one big question—will the Western Allies leave Berlin under Soviet pressure?

## ITALIAN FOOD TRADE STRIKE

Rome, June 26. All workers in the Italian wholesale food trades came out on strike today and slaughter houses, ice plants, flour mills and similar undertakings were at a standstill though shops carried on.

The stoppage was called as a protest against the dismissal of several hundred workers from a sweet factory and several Milan shops.

Political motives were thought to underlie this strike and the general strikes in Pisa and Brescia, all of which are regarded as a prelude to a bigger movement.

The nationwide strike of food workers started with the dismissal of workers from the Milan shops of the Motta Company.

After yesterday's meeting, the cabinet warned the workers that "their right to strike should not be used to disturb public order nor to infringe the freedom to work."—Reuter.

**Six Months' Supply**

The spokesman added that with six months' supply of rice in stock and more to come before the end of the year, it was obviously better to make the loan than to keep thousands of tons in stock under the danger of deterioration while the people in the Philippines were going short. The loan will also relieve congestion in local grainfairs.

The 10,000 tons of rice lent to the Philippines include all grades and qualities and there was no question of their receiving better rice than is provided for the public in Hong Kong, said the spokesman. None of the first grade Siamese rice will be shipped, as it is being reserved for the Colony's workers.

**BOLLAERT'S TRIP TO PARIS**

Paris, June 26. General Nguyen van Xuan, President of the Provincial Central Government of Vietnam, was said today to have been making contact with representatives of the Nationalist resistance movement, sections of whom might recognise the Central Government, the French Press Agency reported from Saigon.

The President is to establish ministries and draft the constitution of the National Constituent Assembly when he arrives on Wednesday in Hanoi, which has been chosen as the administrative capital.

The French Government will shortly have to defend its Indo-China policy in the National Assembly and this adds significance to the expected arrival here on Monday of the High Commissioner for Indochina, M. Emile Bollaert.

M. Bollaert will make a full report to the Government on the position in Indochina since the signing on June 5 of the agreement recognising the newly-formed Government of General Xuan.

According to the latest diplomatic despatches from Indochina, there have been no important internal changes during the past few weeks.

The visit of the High Commissioner coincided with the presence in the French capital of Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia. The latter's visit, however, is described as strictly private.

**Reminders**

**REPUBLICAN LEADER**

**Coming Events**

**TODAY**

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

American International Assurance Co., Ltd., extraordinary meeting, 12-14 Queen's Road, Central, 11 a.m.

H.K. Club, members meeting, at Clubhouse, 8.30 p.m.

Cocktail party in honour of Sir Man-kam Lo, by Major and Mrs. M. Churn, Jacob's Room, H.K. Hotel, 6-7.30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

Games, Morning, European YMCA.

H.K. & Yaumati Ferry Co., Ltd., annual meeting, 144-148 Des Voeux Road Central, 11 a.m.

H.K. & Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., annual meeting, Windsor House, 11.30 a.m.

Cocktail Party in honour of Sir Man-kam Lo, by Chinese Chamber of Commerce, at Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 6.30-8 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

Y.M.C.A. Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Dominion Day commemoration wreath-laying ceremony at Sai Wan Military Cemetery, 10 a.m.; reception at H.K. Club annex, 6.30-8 p.m.; special broadcast over ZBW, Mahjong Class, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY**

Classical Music Concert, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

"The Magic Lamp," staged by Rosary Church Club, Club de Recreio, 8 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

**Monday**

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The cordage etc. may be inspected on application to Mr. A. V. Jones, Inspector of Store-housmen between the hours of 0930 to 1200 and 1400 to 1630, Monday to Thursday, 28th June to 1st July, 1948, on production of Tender Form.

Tenders which may be for all or any of the stores, will not be accepted after noon on Friday, 2nd July, 1948.

E. F. S. FISHER,  
Suptdg: Naval Store Officer.

## PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY LIMITED.

Application has been made to this Company to issue to Dr. RENATO E MILLO ALVAREZ of 5 Julian Avenue, 1st Floor, Homantin, Kowloon, duplicate Certificates for 5 Fully Paid-up and 10 \$5. Paid-up Shares in this Company—Certificate numbers and Distinctive numbers UNKNOWN—upon declaration that the original Certificates have been lost or mislaid. And Notice is hereby given that, if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof, the above Certificates be not forthcoming, the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of NO EFFECT, and NEW Certificates for the said Shares will be issued in their stead by the Company.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1948.

## NOTICE.

### HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO. LTD.

Application has been made to this Company to issue to MRS. JASMINE CHAN, of 57 Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong, duplicate Certificates for 200 Ordinary Shares in this Company—Certificate numbers and Distinctive numbers UNKNOWN—upon declaration that the original Certificates have been lost or mislaid. And Notice is hereby given that, if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof, the above Certificates be not forthcoming, the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of NO EFFECT, and NEW Certificates for the said Shares will be issued in their stead by the Company.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON LTD.  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1948.

## NOTICE.

### THE HONGKONG & YAUMATI FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Twentieth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 3rd Floor, 144-148 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday the 30th June, 1948 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1947 and for the Special Business mentioned below.

## SPECIAL BUSINESS

The following resolution will be proposed: "THAT THE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY BE INCREASED FROM \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000."

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th June, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
LAU TAK PO,  
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hong Kong, 14th June, 1948.

## HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

### MONTHLY TICKETS

Monthly Ticket holders can travel on any tramcar and on any route during the month of issue; there are no restrictions on the number of journeys taken.

Tickets for the month of July may be obtained, as follows:

New tickets for passengers not holding a ticket for the present month can be obtained only at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on and after 30th June.

Existing tickets can be renewed at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on the 25th, 26th and 27th June and from 2nd July.

Tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry, on 28th, 29th, 30th June and 1st July.

V. WALKER  
Acting General Manager  
25th June, 1948.

## THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Partly Paid New Issue Shares

The owners of partly paid shares are reminded that, under the terms of issue, the final instalment of \$50.00 per share MUST BE PAID ON OR BEFORE 30TH JUNE, 1948.

Any person owning such shares who is not in possession of the requisite form which has to be presented when payment is made, should make immediate application for same to the Company.

Payment should be made to The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

G. B. S. THOMSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th June, 1948.

## THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

### Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND, in respect of the year 1948, of \$0.80 per share, less 10% Corporation Profits Tax, has been declared payable on and after July 15th, 1948.

Applications for Dividend Warrants should be made either personally or by letter to the Registered Office of the Company, P. & O. Building, 4th Floor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 2nd to 15th July, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 11th June, 1948.

## NOTICE

### THE HONG KONG CLUB.

Members of The Hong Kong Club are reminded that an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held in the Club House at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 28th June, 1948.

K. W. KIRBY,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th June, 1948.

## HONG KONG STAGE CLUB

### Service Auction Rooms

The Hong Kong Stage Club will be holding a Casting Meeting for a new radio play in King George's Hall at the Missions to Seamen, Gloucester Road, at 8.30 p.m. on Monday, 28th June.

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## Exaggerations Of Chinese Civil War

### Battles Without Bloodshed

Nanking, June 26.

It is the growing conviction of neutral observers here that both sides in China's civil war are fighting much harder on paper than on battlefields. Why both the Government and Communists magnify minor skirmishes into bloody struggles and wage destructive campaigns which leave no signs of destruction and never more than a handful of prisoners, despite huge casualty claims, is puzzling.

Eye-witnesses among these observers to "savage battles" and reports from neutral sources were beginning to show the extent of the fighting for Henan's capital, Kaifeng, was far less than pro-Government information—including that furnished by the official military spokesman for official distribution, indicated.

These Government reports told of a last-ditch defence by Kaifeng's garrison fighting from a few strong points while a large portion of the city was lost.

### Not A Sign

Travellers over Kaifeng on the very day of the last-ditch battle did not see that. There was not even smoke that was visible.

Neither was there any sign of Chen Yi's Red armies which Government reports said numbered more than 140,000 within an area of a few square miles.

These reports and similar ones from other areas where great battles had been reportedly fought without leaving normal scars of war convince foreign observers here that actual fighting between the Nationalists and Reds was for less than generally believed.

### Fight-Shy

Experienced observers say many reports of bitter battles were intended to cover what has become the obvious reluctance of Government armies—particularly isolated garrisons such as that in Kaifeng—to give the Reds firm resistance.

In many cases these garrisons simply walk out the escape path which the Chinese traditional superior army always leaves to the enemy. High Chinese officials here have admitted that the only hope of recovering Central China from the Reds is to revive the morale and spirit of the national armies to the point where they once again are willing to fight.—Associated Press.

### SUGAR PRICE ADVANCE

New York, June 27. The first advance in refiners' sugar prices by major refiner since the industry was decontrolled last year was announced on Saturday by California and Hawaii Sugar Refiner Corporation.

The company advanced its price of refined sugar to 7.65 cents a pound, effective at the close of business Monday.

This is 15 points above its price on the Pacific Coast and 26 points higher than in other marketing areas extending to Chicago. When sugar was decontrolled, the Chicago price was 8.40 cents a pound. Prices drifted lower from the level but recent strength in raw sugar, if maintained, indicates a reversal of that trend.—Associated Press.

### CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, June 27. Wheat prices continued to slide toward the Government loan level on Saturday. Hedging pressure was one factor in the downward move, as were reports of much greater than expected yield from the Kansas wheat harvest. The Government interim support level here is \$2.25 a bushel for No. 1 hard wheat. Wheat closed 1 1/2% lower.

July \$2.50 1/2%; September \$2.30-\$2.20%; December \$2.30 1/2%.

Corn was 1 1/2% lower to 14 1/2 cents a bushel. Soybeans were 1 1/2% higher. Soybeans were 1 1/2% higher.—Associated Press.

### Copyright For Photos

Brussels, June 26.

Copyright protection for films and photographs in future will be available on the same basis as for literature and other applied arts as the result of the signature here today of a revised text of the Berne Convention for the protection of authors' rights.

Other revisions included protection rights to include the life-of-the-author and a minimum of 50 years after his death, and an author to have the exclusive right to control the recording of a work as radio broadcasts and relays.—Reuter.

### LEOPOLD WON'T Abdicate

Brussels, June 27.

Self-exiled King Leopold, in a letter to the Belgian Premier, proclaimed that he would not abdicate and asked that the question of his return to the throne be decided by popular vote.

The King's letter pointed out that the heir to the throne, 17-year-old Prince Baudouin, would attain his constitutional majority on Sept. 7 next, but it added, "That would not alter my constitutional position."

The King said the Belgian constitution did not force a King to abdicate. He added that he would overrule this point. "If he is certain Belgium no longer has any confidence in me, I do not have this conviction," —United Press.

### Mr. Nehru Hints At War

Lucknow, June 27.

The time has come when we shall have to send our forces to Hyderabad," Pandit Nehru, the Indian Premier, said here today.

He was referring to the possibility of an armed conflict between the Dominion of India and the State of Hyderabad over the question of accession to India.

"But before we do we shall have to examine all interrelated issues arising from such a course. I am not afraid of using the Army, but we must visualize the reaction to this step in the international sphere."

Speaking in defence of the Government's policy towards Hyderabad and Kashmir, Pandit Nehru said the Hyderabad problem deserved a dispassionate and balanced assessment of all unforeseen problems which might arise in the event of an armed conflict between India and Hyderabad.—Reuter.

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## ALARMING DAMAGE TO CROPS

### Pirates Active In Kwangtung

Canton, June 27. Pirates made off with a haul estimated at CN\$19,000 million when they attacked a tow-boat operating between Canton and the Tungkoon area, according to a message reaching here.

The pirated tow-boat carried cargo only.

Another big haul was made by pirates operating along the North River when they boarded a passenger and cargo-carrying vessel.

The skipper of the launch towing the boat is said to have been fatally wounded by gunfire.

In view of the frequent piracies along Canton's waterways, steps are being taken to establish a water police service whose duties will be confined to the Pearl River delta, according to a Chinese report.—Reuter

### English Opera In Holland

Amsterdam, June 26. The English Opera group on a tour throughout Holland last night gave a performance of John Gay's "Beggar's Opera" in a new musical version by Benjamin Britten.

The performance which took place in the Municipal Theatre at Arnhem under the auspices of the Dutch "Wagner Vereniging" within the "Holland Festival," was heartily welcomed by the audience which included many foreign and Dutch authorities and artists.

Benjamin Britten told the audience, "I am very glad to be back in Holland again where I feel at home. We all are very grateful for the way in which you have received us."

Other performances will be given in Utrecht and Rotterdam.—Associated Press.

### FIVE BROTHERS DROWNED

Porthleven, Cornwall, June 28. Five brothers, fishermen from this village in southwest England, were drowned today when their boat was sunk in a collision with a steamer.—Reuter.

Ministry officials said it was still too early for an overall estimate of China's crop prospects.

At least 20,000,000 Chinese have been made homeless and more than 2,000,000 acres of farmland inundated by summer floods in nine Central and South China provinces, according to reports reaching the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

A Ministry spokesman said crop losses alone were reaching an "alarming figure" and with the loss in production due to the civil war, may produce famine conditions over large areas of China.

In Hunan Province alone, officials estimated that flood waters, due to protracted rainfall, cut rice crops by 50,000,000 bushels, while 8,000,000 farmers were made homeless and 322,000 acres of the nation's farmland were damaged by the flooding of five rivers.

As a result of torrential rainfall in May and June, the Ministry studied flood reports from the provinces of Kiangsi, Anhwei, Hupeh, Szechuan, Kiangsu, Kwangtung, Fukien and Kwang-si.

From Wuhu, centre of Anhwei's wheat and rice producing areas, officials reported the loss of wheat crop of at least 12,000,000 bushels, with crops of wheat, rice and beans "totally destroyed" in at least five districts.

### Grave Shortage

The Government's Director of Agriculture, Chow Mu, told the Associated Press that crop losses in Anhwei and Hunan, which are the traditional granaries for Shanghai and Nanking, "create further deterioration in the already grave food situation."

Completion of the Yangtze Valley "TVA," for which plans were drawn some years ago, would have prevented most of the food damage, Chow Mu said.

He added that by the co-operation of the United Nations Food Agriculture Organisation, farmlands in the south will be salvaged by alternative cropping.

Nineteen agricultural machinery plants will be operated in South China, using UNRRA-supplied equipment in an effort to expand modern farming methods, he said.

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ASSESS, ADD, SUBTRACT

SUCCESSFUL play for certain contracts involves a simple, but definite mathematical procedure. First assess or estimate the length of certain suits indicated by the bidding of the opponents. Second add the presumed length of those suits together. Third subtract that figure from thirteen to get the number of cards in the remaining suit or suits. That process may indicate a hopeful play for the objective, which would appear unattainable without it.

S. K 7 2

H. A 9 3

D. K 8 7 6 4 2

C. 9

S. J 10 8 3

H. None

D. Q 10 5

C. Q 8 7 5

3 - 2

S. A Q 9 6 4

H. 10 5 3

D. A

C. A K 6 4

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South—West—North—East

1 S Pass 2 D 2 H

3 C Dbl 3 D Pass

3 S Pass 5 S Pass

6 S Dbl

After the club 5 was led, he noted that his task was no cinch. West was marked with at least four spades, to double with so little high card strength out. East probably would not have ventured that, vulnerable overcall with only six hearts and such a dearth of honours, so probably had seven, with West blank. And West must have had a half-a-dozen clubs to double the 3-Club bid along the way.

### Cinema Dispute Settled

Shanghai, June 26. Hollywood can breathe a bit easier—as far as Shanghai is concerned.

The stalemate between foreign film distributors and the Municipal Government over theatre admissions was broken by Mayor K.C. Wu who granted the request of the distributors and theatre owners for an increase in admissions.

The distributors had sent an ultimatum to the City Government that unless the theatres could charge more they would force a general distribution of films July 3.

Yesterday the Mayor, acting on his own initiative, granted an increase of the minimum charge from CN\$60,000 to CN\$100,000—an increase of 66-2/3 percent. The amount was not what the theatres and distributors asked but indications are that it will be accepted.—United Press.

Belgrade, June 26. General George Stavrescu and ten others, accused of having taken part in a massacre of more than 10,000 Jews at Jasay, Rumania, in 1941, were sentenced to penal servitude for life by a war crimes court today, Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency reported from Bucharest.—Reuter

Lisbon, June 26. After official Portuguese farewells, American Naval units which visited Lisbon weighed anchor on Saturday, leaving the Tagus bound for the Mediterranean after a six-day stay.

Associated Press.

### BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

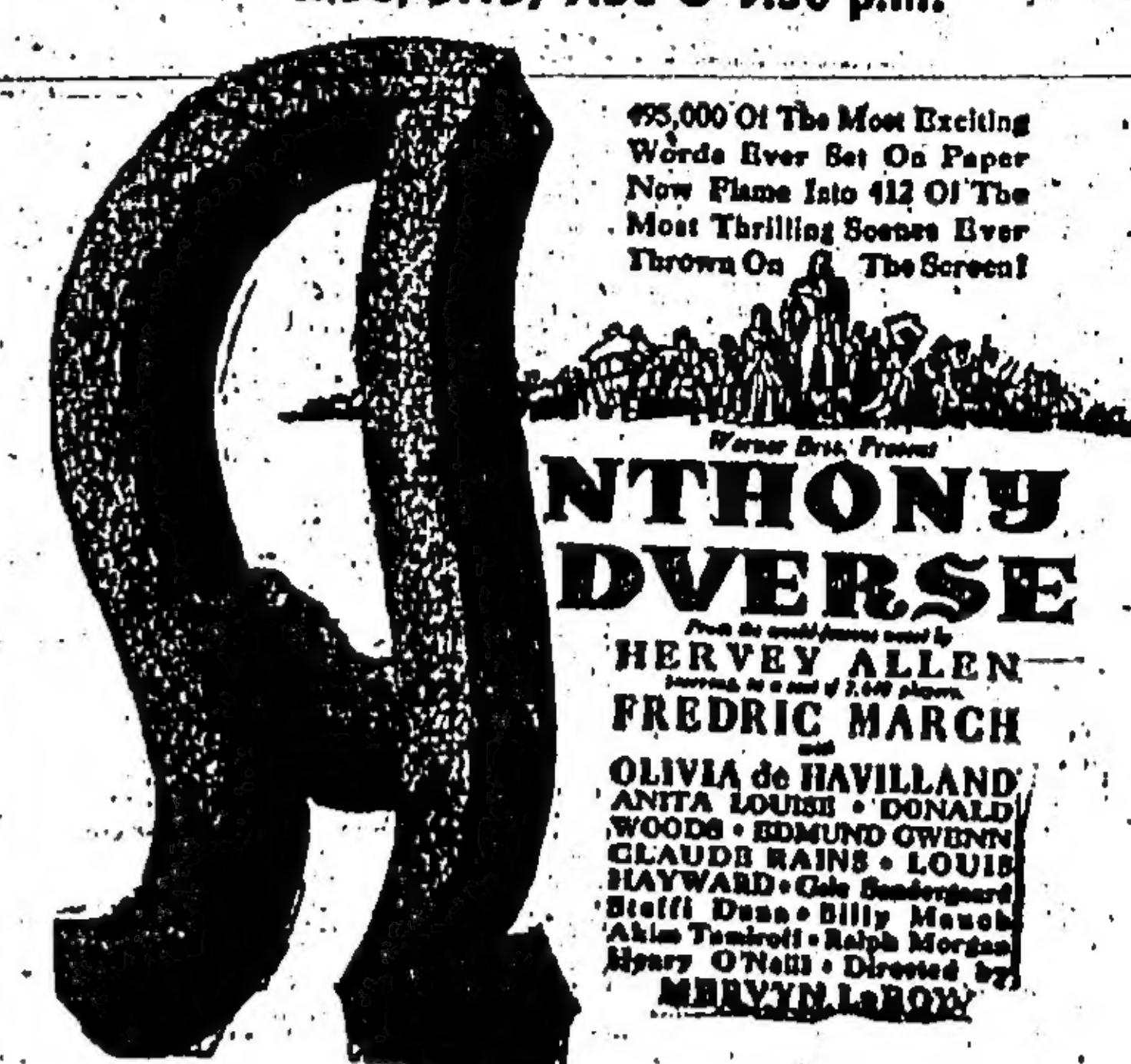
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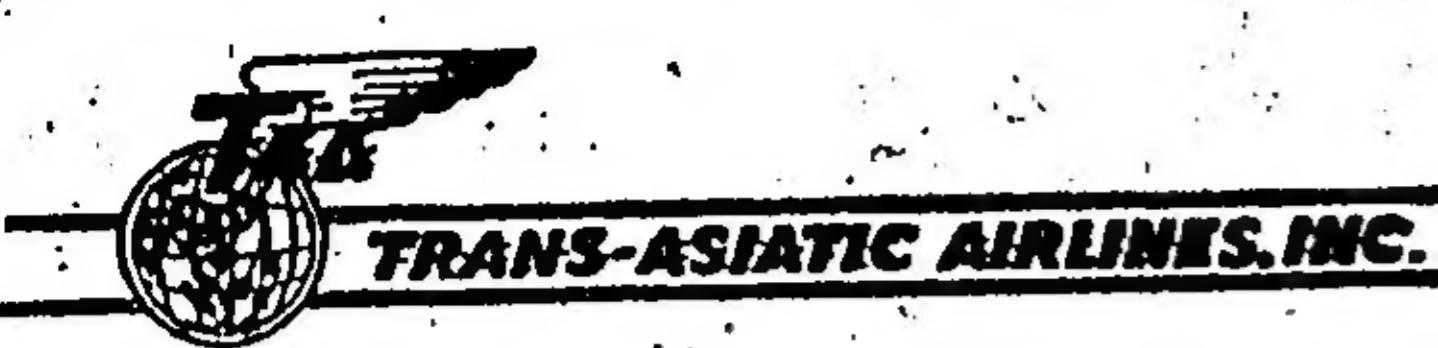
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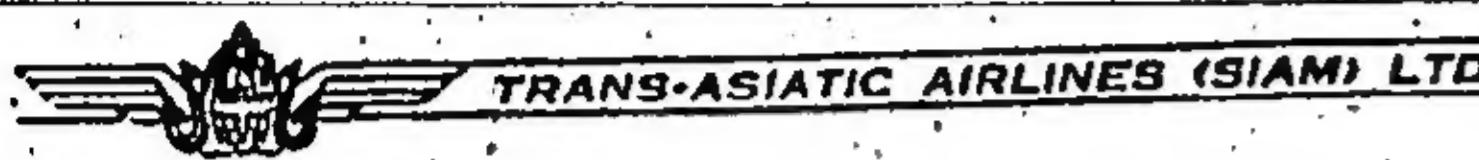


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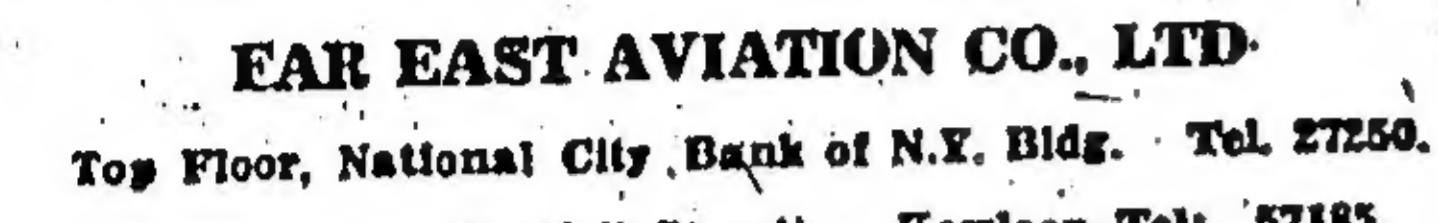
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PALESTINE?

What hopes are there that the truce agreed to between the Arabs and Jews, on the basis of the British resolution adopted by the United Nations Security Council, will lead to a final settlement of the Palestine problem? If hopes of a settlement are based on the statements which continue to be issued by both sides there can be little optimism. Arab leaders still insist that there can be no peace in Palestine while the Jews continue to claim a Zionist state in a land where the majority of the population is Arab; the Zionists insist that there is already such a State and that it has come to stay. The hard facts of the situation may, however, force a compromise. Having fought a battle for Palestine both sides may come to feel that honour is vindicated and that their claims can be modified. Unless some progress is made in the discussions with the mediator, Count Bernadotte, on the Island of Rhodes in the Mediterranean, it is useless for Britain, America or anyone else to put forward a new plan. Much of course is going on all the time behind the scenes. Britain is continuing to use her influence with the Arab Governments to come to a settlement and the United States is expected to exert similar influence on the Zionists.

The Island of Rhodes is certainly a better place to discuss the future of Palestine than the resounding halls of the United Nations where every word is recorded and many speakers play to the gallery of world opinion. In Rhodes, Count Bernadotte has a Herculean task before him. He has shown himself a wise, patient negotiator already, and if he can bring the two sides to a settlement he will earn the gratitude of the world and he will save the good name of the United Nations. He has to try to persuade Arabs and Jews to forget the complicated promises and arguments of the past and to face the future; some time these two peoples of Semitic race will have to settle down together as good neighbours in their small, rather desert country. He has to persuade them it is in the interests of both sides to stop the fighting.

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The Arabs feel that they have justice on their side in claiming that the Arabs should rule in a land where they have the majority; on the principle of self-determination. Events, however, have worked against them. The Balfour Declaration of 1917 enabled Jews to begin entering Palestine in large numbers and to consolidate their position. They exploited their advantage to the full, helped by world Jewry, while the Arabs of Palestine failed to organise themselves politically to counterbalance the growing influence of the Zionists. Then came Hitler's terrible massacres of the Jews, which started a great migration from Central Europe and aroused the sympathy of world opinion, yet not to the point of encouraging countries with large undeveloped areas like the United States and the lands of South America to modify their immigrant law. All eyes were turned instead on Palestine. The Arab coun-

tries of the Near East, naturally, became extremely apprehensive at the prospect of all Jewish refugees of Europe taking ship for Palestine. That remains one of the biggest problems today. Any solution of the Palestine problem requires that the Jews of Europe should be able to find a home in other lands than Palestine, also that Zionists should give the undertaking that they are prepared to limit their immigration into Palestine.

As the result of over-optimistic official communiques the Arab masses have been led to believe that the Arab Government were near to victory when the truce was accepted. That was not the case. Responsible Arab leaders, however, must know that they cannot hope to push the Zionists out of Palestine altogether and that they must accept the Zionist State as it is. The United Nations will not sit back and watch six Arab States try to push the Jews into the sea. So far it is not true to say, though it is said repeatedly in the U.S.A., that the Arab Governments have been the aggressors. The Zionists have overstepped the boundaries outlined in the United Nations partition plan to a greater extent than have the Arabs. The Palestine battle cannot be fought out as an isolated incident for too many nations are interested in this area because of its strategic importance and because it is potentially the world's greatest oil-producing area.

The Advantages Of  
Social Insurance

Britain claims to have been a pioneer in social betterment, and during the last 40 years United Kingdom governments of all political parties have enacted a steady stream of social legislation to better the lot of the ordinary citizen and achieve some measure of social security within the nation.

Persons insured under this national insurance for all citizens. That, of course, is true enough, but the State collects income taxes according to individual capacity to pay, and not at a flat rate like the weekly insurance premium. This means that bigger incomes bear more of the subsidy than lower incomes; to that extent, and in other ways, the new social security plan will have an equalitarian effect in Britain.

All classes are to share in the scheme, not only those employed for wages and salaries. It will be the guarantee of pensions for the old and for widows, contributions that will make weekly contribu-

tions particularly worth while for those who are self-employed, and also for the small number of non-earners. The only non-contributors, subject to minor exceptions, will be most married women and all children under 10 years. That leaves 20 million persons between the ages of 16 and 65 to pay weekly contributions.

The balance in favour of the average contributor to this scheme will in fact be quite remarkable. For it is estimated that, in future, the married man who draws his retirement pension of 42s. a week for himself and his wife for as much as 10 years (say from 65 to 75) will receive eight times what he paid. That does not include any benefits, such as sick benefits, which he may draw during his working life. No commercial insurance company in the world could offer such terms.

National Assistance

Behind the Insurance Act stands the new scheme of national assistance under which any person aged 16 or over living in Britain (whether or not of British nationality) who is without sufficient

"free-for-all" national health service. A complete medical service, including general practitioner and hospital treatment, is to be open to all citizens without charge from July 5. This will have nothing to do with insurance or the payment of a specified number of contributions, though in fact the new national insurance fund will hand over to the Treasury a sum of £32 million a year to help pay the health service bill of about £240 million a year. The average doctor in general practice may have a maximum of 4,000 persons on his list and will be paid his capitation fees accordingly. The close personal relationship between the family doctor and his patients will, it is hoped, be fully preserved.

The general economic and social policy of Britain today has a threefold aim—greater productivity, stability and social equity, three closely inter-related conditions. Towards these aims we in Britain already have a state of full employment at good wages, which seems likely to be maintained, and now a linked system of social security covering all citizens will come into being on July 5.

DOOMED" TANKER  
REPORTED SAFE

New York, June 26.

Tankers Company Inc., agent for the Norwegian tanker Fenris, said that additional information received today revealed that the civilian crew from the Navy tanker, Mission San Juan, boarded the burning and abandoned Fenris, put out the fire and now has the vessel in tow bound for the Azores.

A message from the Mission San Juan's captain said he sighted the burning tanker at 10 a.m. and placed a salvage crew aboard. He said that the crew of the Fenris is now aboard his ship.

The men were originally picked up by an American tanker, Bents Fort, and later transferred to the Greek collier, Costis Los. They were apparently transferred again to the Mission San Juan.

The 42 men and skipper, Captain H. Mathisen left the stricken tanker several hours after an explosion at 4 a.m. on Thursday which turned the engine room into an inferno.

According to a report from Bents Fort, the crewmen were rescued after 10 hours in their lifeboats.

A spokesman for the Tankers Company Inc., said it is possible that the crew members of the Mission San Juan might have a claim to the salvage of the Fenris. The Fenris was carrying a cargo of crude oil, loaded at Venezuela on June 11.—United Press.

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Governor Dewey as an enemy of the New Deal and of progressive social legislation.

—United Press.

Moscow, June 26.

Tass reported that Governor Thomas Dewey's presidential nomination was bought with promises of high political posts, profits and protection.

Tass, in a Philadelphia dispatch, said that Governor Dewey was named after behind-the-scenes transactions, which was confirmed by the American Press.

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In an order issued by the Police Commissioner, Mr. Schoen Yu, "all aliens desiring to travel outside of the Shanghai Municipal area or to remove for residence at another city shall register prior to their departure at this police headquarters and their residence certificates shall be stamped in evidence of the above registration."

The order added that those who travel without having duly registered their departure will subject themselves to punishment prescribed by the police penalty code.

At the same time, it stated that all aliens arriving in the Municipal area shall register their arrival with the police station of the district of their residence within 10 days and in the case of Stateless persons three days.

Since the abrogation of inland visas more than a year ago, foreigners have been free to leave the city for other parts of China without any requirement other than carrying their passports and residence certificates.

—Reuter.

PRAGUE, June 26.

The 80-year old Social Democratic Party newspaper, Pravo Lidsko, will cease publication on July 1. Headsets were told that after that date the Communist newspaper, Rude Pravo, would be automatically delivered to them.

The two papers were merged after last February's crisis in Czechoslovakia. —Reuter.

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IDEAL TOWNS FOR  
THE PEOPLE

Since Britain was one of the first countries in the world to become industrialised, there are many lessons that other countries can learn from her history. One of these relates to this question of population movement from country to town. During the last 100 years Britain's population has almost trebled (population increase is another characteristic of an expanding economic system). But owing to the drift from the villages practically the whole of this rise was confined to the urban areas, especially to the great industrial cities and London. Today eight million people—nearly one-fifth of the inhabitants of England and Wales—live in London. About 10 million people live in the villages, and the rest are mainly concentrated in cities and smaller industrial towns.

It is important to note that it is within the suburban belt that certain areas will be allocated for industrial development, so that workers will not have long distances to travel to and from their place of employment. In these new towns factory areas will be kept free of residential buildings.

As for the area bounded on its periphery by the innermost of the three ring roads, here will be the hub of the town's life. Buildings like the Town Hall, the main post office, the main fire station, just like London itself, consist of a compact central area into which are crowded much too high a proportion of the town's factories, public buildings, shops, cinemas and offices, and around this cen-

tral-block there are sprawled the area and the banks. Among miles of suburban streets much too thinly sprinkled with the amenities of community life.

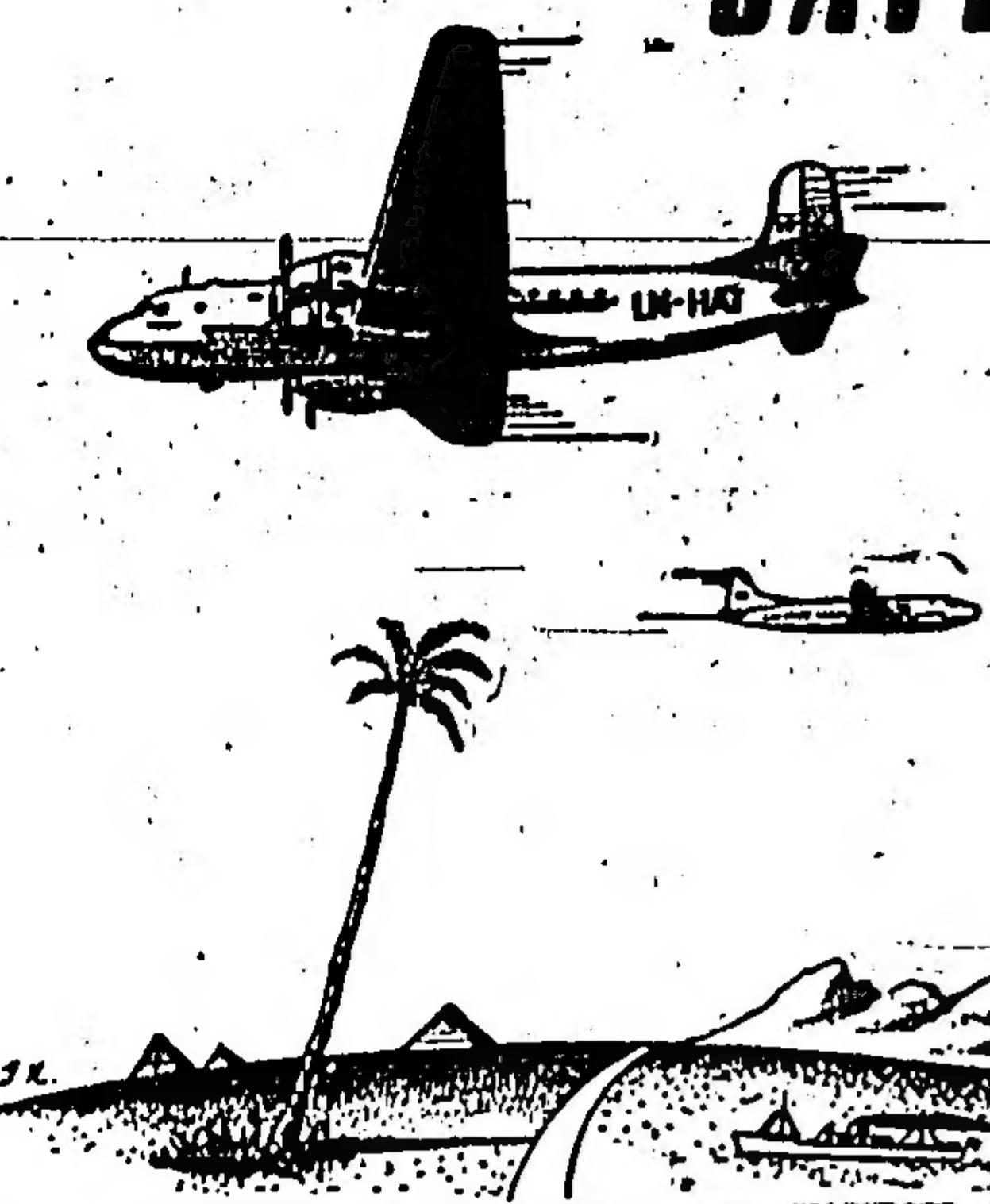
Before the end of World War II it had become absolutely clear that something very drastic would have to be done to deal with this problem. Britain's Government, therefore, instituted in 1943 a special Ministry to cope with it. The Ministry of Town and Country Planning, as it is called, quickly set to work and proposed to Parliament a series of measures grouped under two laws: the Town and Country Planning Act and the New Towns Act. Between them they embody plans of building development for the whole of England and Wales, empower the Government to acquire land for the building of new towns and to go ahead with their intention of persuading manufacturers to build new factories in these new towns, rather than in established industrial centres.

Quite rightly the plans for these new towns are flexible and give plenty of room for adaptation to local conditions and local tastes. But they are all based on a fairly simple series of principles, designed to obviate the disadvantages which have accompanied the haphazard growth of urban areas in the past. Each town will be built within the framework of a highway system. Three of these highways will encircle the town, so as to enable through traffic to bypass its centre, and others will radiate outwards from the central district. Between the outermost and centre ring road there will be what is known as a Green Belt, where Urban development, as a rule, will not be allowed. Between the second ring road and the innermost ring road there will be an area of suburbs, including different types of villas.

Yet the very fact that the problem of overpopulation in Britain's towns is receiving the attention of a whole Government department is a matter of great satisfaction. Moreover, there is every reason to believe that as soon as Britain's present economic difficulties are in sight of solution, the tempo of implementing these plans will be considerably accelerated.

One's natural reaction on learning of these things is to say, "that's all very well as a plan; but when are they going to begin building these ideal towns?" In giving the answer, one is comforted by the knowledge that the detailed planning work on four such towns in the neighbourhood of London, and two in the more distant provinces has been completed, and that surveyors already have begun work at one of them. On the other hand, it has always been clearly understood that as Britain's export industries have prior claim on the country's limited supplies of labour and materials these plans would take a good many

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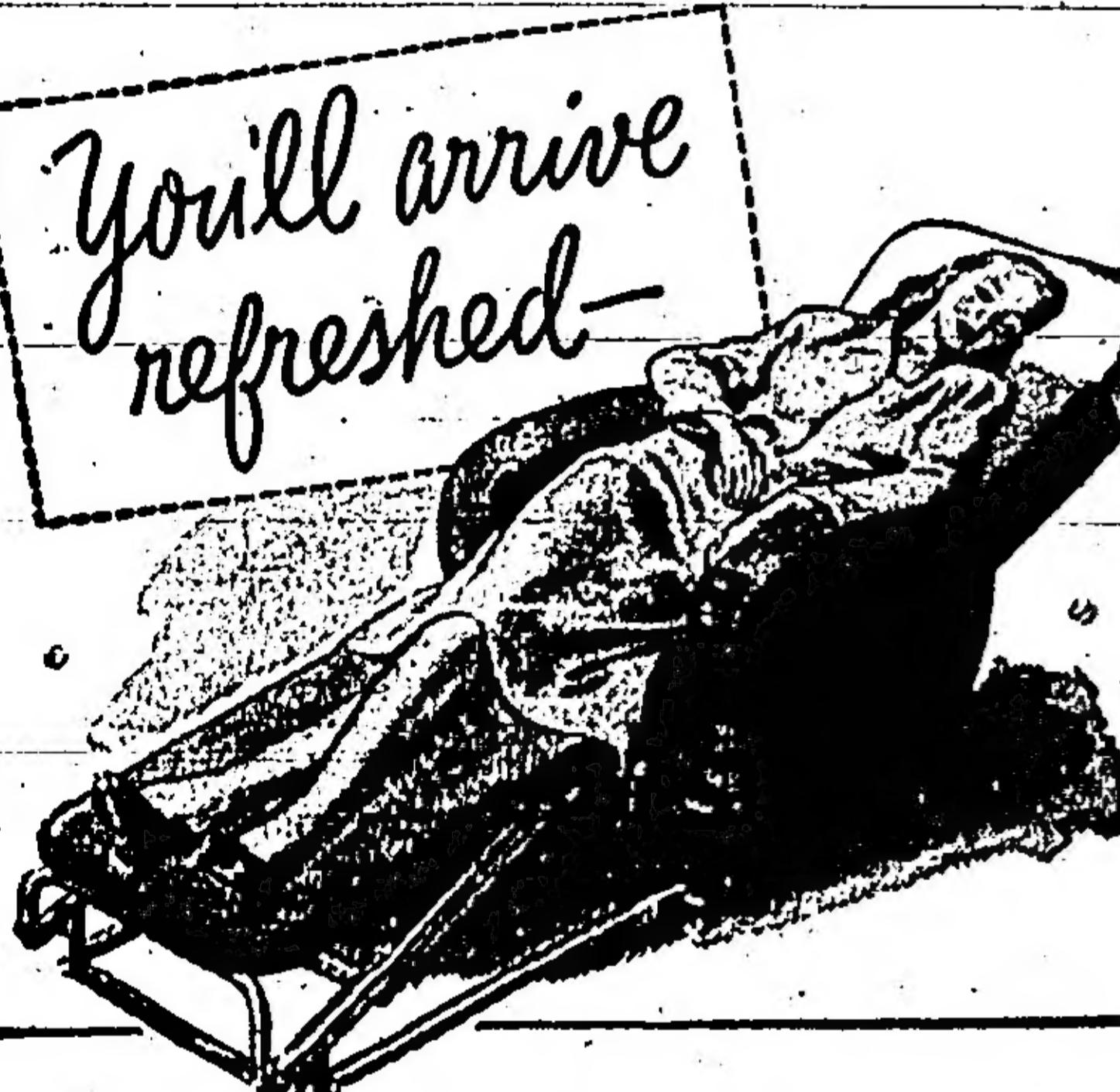
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# PLANES TO BEAT BLOCKADE

## Americans To Fly Supplies To Berlin FIRST ACTION TO COUNTER SIEGE

Berlin, June 26. Every available United States transport plane will be thrown immediately into service to fly supplies to blockaded west Berlin, a high United States military government official announced today.

This was the first action taken by the Western Allies to counter the Russian "siege" of the city's three Western Zones, which began on Thursday.

This huge transport plane fleet will carry foodstuffs and emergency supplies for the Germans as well as supplies for the western occupation forces, the official stated.

No figure could be obtained of the number of planes available, but the fact that the British Gatow airfield is being used indicated that it was well over a 100.

The officials stressed that it would be quite impossible to fly in full rations of food and coal for the civilians, as such an operation would require at least a 1,000 heavy planes daily.

To maintain electricity supplies in the western sectors also cut off by the Russians coal will shortly be allocated to the electric plants from the American army stocks in the city, it was stated.

### British Request

Earlier today, the British Military Governor, Sir Brian Robertson has asked the Soviet to reopen the traffic lines to Berlin's three western sectors.

Up to this evening, there was no hint of a Russian reply to General Robertson, but it was thought that they might order a limited relaxation of the ban on passenger traffic when their money conversion ends on Monday night.

This would enable thousands of Berliners, stranded in the western zones, to return home.

The 2,000,000 western sector Berliners pulled in their belts a little tighter at the battle of the mark entered the week-end.

The British and American authorities have banned parties and receptions by the occupying forces which would use up food urgently needed by the Germans.

### Soviet To Blame

It was expected that the new Soviet currency, already nicknamed the "double mark" would be pulled out of circulation at noon because of large-scale forging of the stamps which distinguish it from the old Reichsmark.

In his letter to Marshal Sokolovsky, Soviet Commander in Germany, General Robertson said "that the responsibility for 'undue and avoidable suffering' in Berlin lies with the Russians if traffic channels were not reopened."

In a separate letter, General Clay, American Military Governor, said that he was still prepared to meet Marshal Sokolovsky to discuss the continuing trade relations between the Soviet and American zones, cut since the currency reform a week ago.

### Strike Called

Union meetings today demanded that workers in the whole of Berlin should be called out on strike, ostensibly in protest against the introduction of the western currency.

Meanwhile U.S. Ambassador Lewis Douglas met Bevin and Strang. They talked for more than an hour. What agreements they reached if any remained secret.

### Strong Language

Together they placed together a terse denial — but one wrapped in some of the strongest official language used thus far by the Foreign Office in dealing with Russia versus the West disputes.

It was read to a news conference by a spokesman who emphasized that it represented Bevin's official views.

The spokesman said it was drafted independently of the other Western countries.

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### Capitulation By Employers

London, June 26. John L. Lewis' new coal miners contract today appeared to signal the final collapse of industry's hold-the-line campaign against a "third round" of post-war wage increases.

Capitulation by U.S. Steel and other steel companies to Lewis' wage demands removed virtually the last resistance in a once-solid front. That front was broken first by General Motors and then General Electric, Westinghouse, and other big companies in the last two weeks.

Although the steel companies have not actually signed a contract with Lewis' United Mine Workers, their spokesmen admitted they would go along "reluctantly" with the day rate and 20 cents per ton welfare fund contribution.

Those were the major points in the agreements signed on Friday by Lewis and the operators who produce 70 percent of the nation's coal.

Steel companies which run so-called "captive" mines balked at the last minute on initializing the contract that continued the union shop without an election by the National Labour Relations Board, which they claimed was a violation of the Taft-Hartley Law.

However, informed sources said they would not demur for long. They predicted settlement before the miners return to the pits on July 6 from their annual vacation which begins today.

United Press.

The Times alone wondered whether the Berlin development might be just a "big Soviet ploy."

The Times said: "In the meantime, we're to force a 'no' they would reverse the general trend of the present policy which has been framed to avoid a final rupture with the West. . . . It may still be the Russians are coldly calculating on forcing an agreement with the West on their terms rather than risking an upheaval." —United Press.

London, June 27. The German Director of the Berlin Municipal Power and Light Company, Herr Rudolph Wiesel was dismissed today by order of the Soviet authorities.

The Soviet-licensed German news agency, ADN, said Herr Wiesel had been dismissed for violations of the Soviet orders to cut off power to Berlin's western sector. —United Press.

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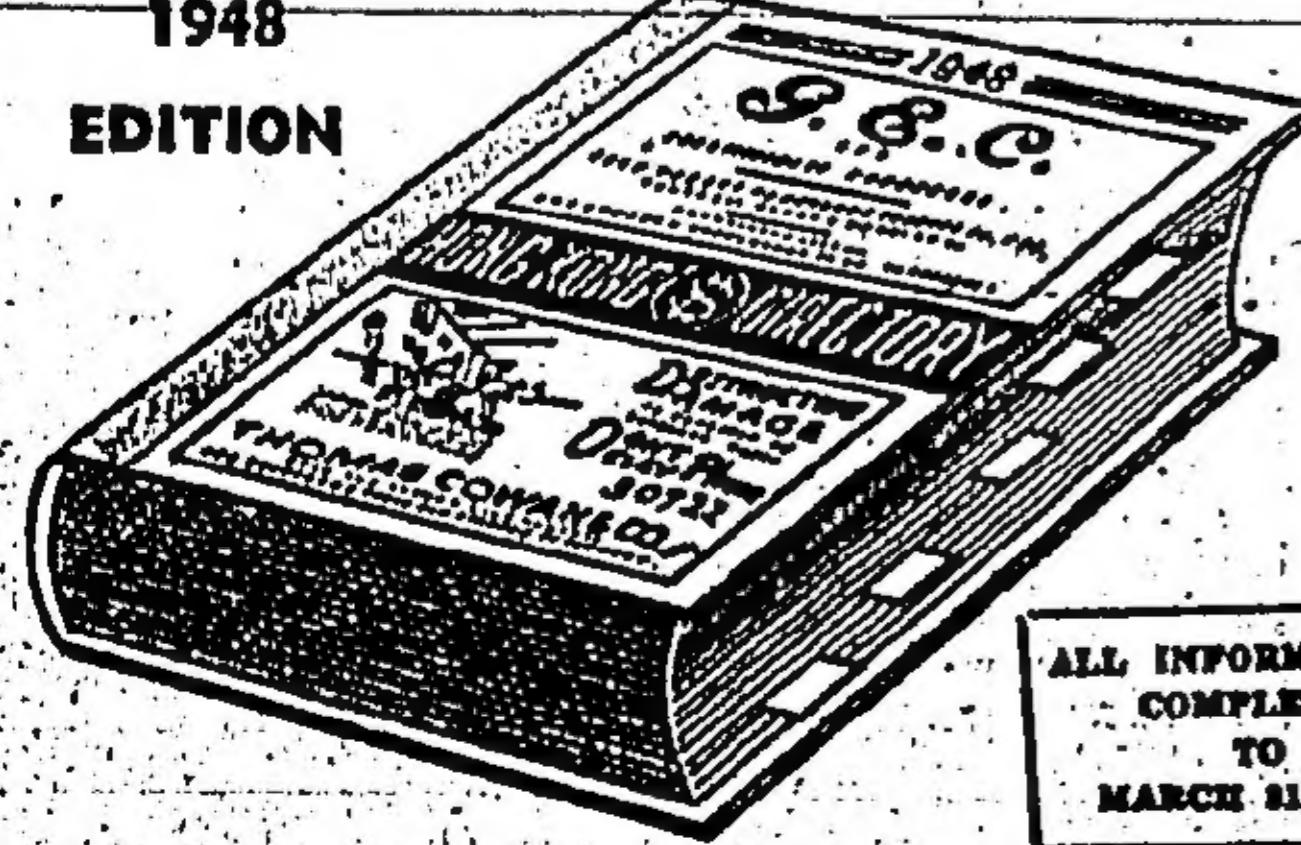
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I spent some time with 82 on a recent trip to East Africa. Operating from Eastleigh Airport, Nairobi, they were covering great stretches of territory in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika, and were scheduled to move over to the West Coast later in the year.

### Ground Crews'

Wing Commander Abrahams in the broadcast paid his tribute to the men on the ground who are playing their part in making the operation successful.

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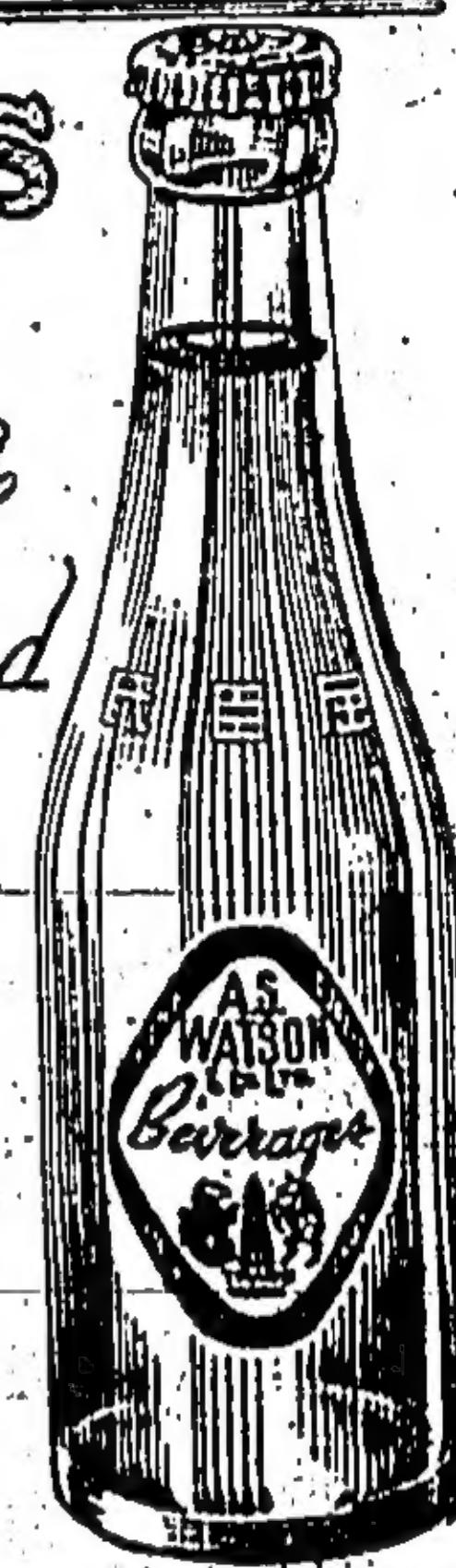
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Manila, June 27.

Luis Taruc, Hukbalahap Commander-in-Chief, was sworn in today in the Lower House as the representative of the Pampanga second district, two hours after the Philippine Congress had finally concurred in President Quirino's amnesty proclamation, thus paving the way for the restoration of peace and order in Central Luzon.

Says Brigadier Hotine, Director of Colonial Surveys: "This is a new venture born of postwar reconstruction, and it is imbued with something of the missionary spirit—not only among the air crews but also among the less spectacular types—the lone surveyors in the bush and the draughtsmen and headquarters staff in this country."

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With the Huk question solved, President Quirino said the country can now proceed to take stock of the problems confronting it, adding: "We have set an example to the world that through goodwill, statesmanship and love of country we can solve our internal difficulties."—Reuters.

**TROOPS LEAVE  
PALESTINE**

Haifa, June 27.

The British Military occupation of Palestine neared its end today when the 17,000-ton troopship, Ordnance, and the 10,000-ton Empire Test arrived to take off the last contingents of troops.

The troops are being withdrawn from many remaining guard posts. In addition to the troopships, two tank-landing craft arrived to take the last vehicles. General Macmillan has set up his floating headquarters on a barge.—United Press.

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# THREAT BY MALAYAN REDS

## Freedom Corps Wants Trial Of Strength Want Europeans To Evacuate

**Army Cache  
In Japan**

Tokyo, June 26.

The Finance Minister, Tokuro Kitamura, testifying before the House of Representatives special committee investigating irregular property transactions, today said that goods concealed by the Japanese army at Baseo, formerly a big base in Kyushu, were valued at between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 yen.

These goods, he said, had been recovered by the Sasabe Shipping and Heavy Industry Company of which Mr. Kitamura is a former president. Kitamura added that he had heard of vast amounts of concealed goods being uncovered outside his company's areas.—Reuter.

**REFUSED  
TO SHOW  
CURVES**

Brighton, June 26.

Fifteen British beauties exercised a woman's prerogative today and refused to display their curves in a return engagement of a local beauty contest.

The girls had demanded a fresh competition after Mrs. Fay Mitchell, 23, was chosen "Summer Queen" without appearing in the preliminary heats of the contest.

However, the losers changed their minds and declined a repeat performance.

Instead, they demanded that Mrs. Mitchell return the £1,000 in prizes she had won and that they be auctioned for charity.—United Press.

**PI WARTIME  
PAYMENTS**

Manila, June 26.

The request of the British Legation for reconsideration of the Philippine opinion sustaining the validity of wartime payments made against pre-war obligations, has been received.

President Quirino, in rejecting the request which was made in a letter by Minister H. L. Foulds, said, however, that the view expressed and enunciated in the Supreme Court decision on the Hawa Pia case, promulgated last April 9, is without prejudice to whatever legal remedies the British may avail themselves of in the future.—Reuter.

Free Territory of Trieste, June 26.

Five American soldiers arrested by the Yugoslavs while pleasure cruising in a U.S. Army motorboat off Istria on June 15 have been released, said a Trieste newspaper report.

Army Public Relations, while not yet prepared to put out an official communique, said the report was correct.

The men, according to earlier Army and private reports, were taken captive when they landed their motorboat, which also had aboard an Italian pilot, on a beach near Punta Grossa in Yugoslavian Istria.

The report said nothing of the Italian.

The Americans were reported to have been released at Albari Vesper, on the boundary between the Allied and Yugoslav zones of the free territory.—Associated Press.

**GIRLS PICKET  
COUNCIL**

Shanghai, June 27.

Some 200 primary teachers, mostly girls, sang songs and picketed the City Council building yesterday afternoon, while inside the Council auditorium, 20 Councillors spent a three-hour heated debate on the question of the property tax.

The teachers, claiming to represent 7,000 of their colleagues, demonstrated outside the Council for over two hours for a ten million dollars advance in pay and the grant of a subsidy. They refused to allow any Councillor or newspaperman to leave the building when the meeting ended.—Reuter.

although presumably the general idea was authorised by Moscow. The offensive, British officials say, may be extended elsewhere later.—Associated Press.

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"Tjisadane"	from Macassar & Javaports 6th July	& Macassar 21st July

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Tjibadak"	from Macassar and Javaports 20th July	to Javaports and Macassar 4th August

	Arrivals	Sailings
"TEGELBERG"	In port	to Shanghai & Japan 29th June 5 p.m.

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Ruy's"	from South Africa 25th July	to South Africa South America via Manila Straits & Batavia 13th August

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

CONSTERNATION OVER BURMA  
Nationalising Raw Material Sources

## Country To Leave Sterling Area?

London, June 26. The recent speech by Burma's Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, has caused something like consternation in London economic circles. The Prime Minister has been reported by some sources as saying that he wished Burma's "financial centre" to return from London to Rangoon, and it is widely felt here that virtually all of the country's raw material sources, such as mines, oil-fields and forests, will be nationalised.

The first point, some financial circles think, can only mean that Burma intends to leave the sterling area and, because of this, some trepidation has been expressed about the future of Burma's future rice exports which, up to now, have been paid for in sterling.

On the second point, some of the most responsible companies at present owning mining, forest and other leases in Burma fear that nationalisation will mean that the Burmese authorities will in future run these basic industries themselves without the help of experienced British technicians.

It is considered here, however, that there is entirely insufficient technical knowledge amongst the Burmese to permit of this, and that if the British personnel is withdrawn before they have had time to train their successors, the world may well lose—for a considerable number of years, at any rate—Burma's substantial output of wolfram, as well as the tin, lead and silver formerly produced there.

But if this method is adopted by Burma it is not likely to be any better received in Britain than have been the similar proposals from Eastern Europe in the countries whose properties have been nationalised.

Burma's lack of sterling for making compensation payments may, however, have its bright side. It may serve to relieve fears about Burma's future rice exports since it should mean that Burma will need to export the maximum quantity of rice in order to earn sterling.—Reuter.

NOT ILLEGAL

Shanghai, June 27. The buying and selling of silver and other metal coins is not illegal, according to a recent order of the Ministry of Judicial Administration to the Shanghai District Court, reports the well-known independent Chinese paper, Ta Kung Pao.

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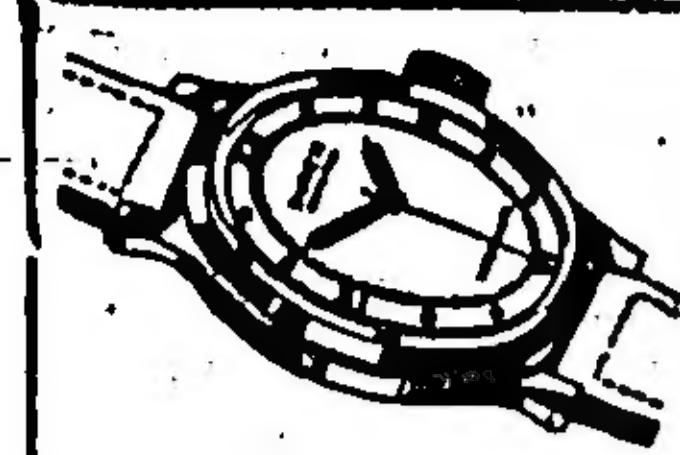
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# CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, MONDAY, JUNE 28, 1948.

## Australians Have A Commanding Lead

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The Australian batsmen took complete revenge for their moderate first innings' display. The sun-baked crowd saw England's bowling so thoroughly mastered that, with two days left, Australia have a commanding lead. **England have, so far, been out-played in almost every phase of the game. Whereas Australia appear to be the complete Test combination, England have too many weak links and face the prospect of defeat in all five Tests, unless helped by the weather.**

Today's consolation was Bradman's feat in dismissing Bradman for the fourth successive time in two Tests this summer. There was a vast difference between the merits of the two attacks. England lacked Australia's hostility and deadly accuracy, but their fielding was again admirable, Washbrook and Edrich taking brilliant catches.

Wright, with a maiden over, and Coxon opened the attack after lunch when the Australian score stood at 38 without loss. Glancing Coxon's fourth ball for his seventh boundary, Morris reached 51 in 80 minutes.

Conditions were ideal for batting on a true pitch, bright sunshine—and the absence of wind, but Barnes enjoyed a stroke of luck when, with his score 35 he turned a short ball from fine leg, where Coxon made a vain attempt to hold a catch inches from the turf.

**Morris' Bad Luck**  
Coxon, never sure in his length, gave way to Laker. Barnes completed his 50 in two hours, but in the next over and without addition to the total, Morris was bowled when playing forward to a fine leg spinner from Wright.

Batting for just over two hours, Morris hit nine sixes and eight fours. His dismissal came just when he appeared set to make history by becoming the first cricketer ever to secure two centuries in an England versus Australia Test more than once. He scored 122 and 124 not out against England in the fourth Test at Adelaide in 1946-47.

Bradman, given a magnificent reception, scored a single off the first ball he received and after Barnes had almost played on, back came Bedser to attack Bradman's leg stump with his usual leg trap.

**Don In Trouble**  
Bradman took four off Bedser's second ball with a nicely timed stroke through the slips. Bradman, eager to get runs, found no more opportunities in that over, but in the next he pounded Wright for two boundaries through the cluster of short legs.

Wright was promptly replaced by Laker at 138. Laker had an exasperating experience in his first over when Bradman was in trouble. The second ball struck the inside edge of Bradman's bat and skidded down to short leg as he played a forward defensive stroke. Bradman completely missed the third and fifth balls and was almost bowled each time.

The partnership added 29 in half an hour, 150 going up in 155 minutes.

Bradman stayed for a long time at 13. Then he hooked a long hop from Laker to the boundary for his fourth boundary. Bedser, taking the new ball, surprised Bradman with two successive out-swingers. The next ball, going the other way, was snicked between Edrich and Coxon in the slips for four lucky runs. Coxon also had Barnes in trouble.

**Low Scoring**

With Bradman easing up after his escapes and Barnes as patient and watchful as ever, runs came slowly for a few overs.

With Australia leading by more than 300 runs, the crowd expected more enterprising batting, and Barnes was selected to mild bantering. By way of repartee, Barnes drove Coxon to the cover boundary and, while Bedser retrieved the ball, walked half way down the pitch, bowed and dropped his cap. Barnes had then been batting three hours 20 minutes for 70.

For ever after over Bedser attacked Bradman's middle and leg stumps with his late inswinger. Banton and Yardley waited at short fine leg and buckward short.

**Scoreboards**  
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## Henley Regatta Draw

Henley, June 26. Kent School, Connecticut, winners of the Thames challenge cup last year, have drawn against the Liverpool Victoria eight for the first round of the event at Henley regatta, starting on Wednesday.

Princeton University drew Trinity College of Cambridge University crew.

If the two American eights win, they meet in the next round. Jean Sepheride, favourite to win the Diamond Sculls, drew 1, Stephen of South Africa in the first round.

In preliminary heats, the Belgian scullers W. Collett and B. Piessens drew J. F. R. Hannan of Ireland and V. M. T. Wood, an Australian policeman, respectively.

Jack Kelly, American holder of the Diamonds, was not defending his title.—Associated Press.

**Wardley called for England's substitute.**

After the dismissal of Hassett, the duel between Bradman and Bedser was resumed. Just as Bradman seemed set on his century, he was caught by Edrich off Bedser, Edrich, diving wide to his right, picked up a great catch miles from the ground. Thus Bedser had taken Bradman's wicket for the fourth successive time in this summer's series.

When 21, Miller gave a difficult chance to first slip of Bedser, Edrich got both hands to a fast travelling ball, but could not hold it.

Miller and Brown stayed to the close when Australia led by 478 with six wickets in hand.

The scoreboard at the end of the third day reads:

Australia: First Innings ... 350

England: First Innings ... 215

**AUSTRALIA: 2ND INNINGS**

Barnes c Washbrook b Yardley	141
Morris b Wright	62
Bradman c Edrich b Bedser	89
Hassett b Yardley	0
Miller not out	22
Brown not out	7
Extras	22
Total (for 4)	343

—Reuter.

## WEAKENED YORKSHIRE TEAM COLLAPSES

London, June 26.

**Weakened by Test claims, Yorkshire collapsed at Chesterfield against Derbyshire, being dismissed in their first innings for 44, the lowest total of the season. Going in again 233 runs behind, they had lost three wickets for 15 at the close of play.**

George Pope, Derbyshire's right-arm bowler, was the main cause of Yorkshire's total eclipse. Pitching the ball on the log stump, he kept a perfect length and moved the ball across to the off very quickly. His six for 12 was a performance worthy of an England opening bowler, and an even better display than the seven for 34 with which he routed the present leaders, Glamorgan, earlier this year.

Pope then added to Yorkshire's discomfiture by securing 73 against their bowlers. The crowd at Loughborough were treated to a spell of whirlwind hitting by J. Walsh, whose century was accomplished in 55 minutes, with the aid of seven sixes and 10 fours.

**Scoreboards**  
Close of play scores:

At Manchester: Lancashire 170; Gloucestershire 133 for 8. At Chesterfield: Yorkshire 44 (Pope 6 for 12) and 15 for 3; Derbyshire 277 (Elliot 62, Pope 78).

At Cardiff: Glamorgan 273 (E. Davies 71); Middlesex 35 for 3. At Loughborough: Leicester

478 (Lester 108, Walsh 100); Essex 78 for 2.

At Bath: Nottinghamshire 115 (Tremlett 5 for 60, Wellard four for 31); Somerset 210 for 4 (Gimblett 90 not out).

At Birmingham: Cambridge University 259 (Doggart 51; F. solo 54); Warwickshire 163 for 2 (Taylor 60 not out).

At Guildford: Surrey 308 for 5 (Edrich 125, Fletcher 100, Constant 60 not out) against Oxford University.

At Portsmouth: Northamptonshire 105; Hampshire 83 for 3. At Tunbridge Wells: Sussex 300 for 7 (James Langridge 90) against Kent.—Reuter.

**SANDHURST CADETS WIN**

London, June 26.

Britain, with 208 points, won the first quadrangular international athletic contest between the Military Cadet schools of France, Belgium, the Netherlands and the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst.

France was second, with 67 points, Belgium third with 43 and the Netherlands fourth with 23.—Associated Press.

## DAVIS CUP COURT FIRED



SPECTATORS wait patiently while committee men fire the Davis Cup court on June 14. Petrol was poured on and the court fired as a last attempt to make it usable during the third round of the Davis Cup play between Sweden and Hungary. Play was eventually continued with the victory going to Sweden.—AP Photo.

## WIMBLEDON

## FILIPINOS THRILL CAPACITY CROWD, BEAT BRITONS

London, June 26.

**Two human dynamos, Filipinos Raymundo Deyro and Felicissimo Ampon, revelling in the hot sun today, gave a capacity crowd at Wimbledon a thrill and two top flight English players a tennis lesson.**

They defeated Hedley Baxter, a member of the present Davis Cup team, and R. Carter, an English county player, 7-5, 7-5, 6-0.

Both tiny men, compared with their lanky opponents, covered the court better and played inspired tennis.

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